

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

APRIL 27, 2010

The Descanso Gardens Guild, Inc. (Guild) has received a grant of \$ 500,000 from the Rose Hills Foundation for the development of a long-range plan and proposed improvements to include two solar projects for energy conservation, a composting facility for recycling green waste and the replanting of the main drive entry area with climate compatible, low-water needs plant materials. All improvements are to be located at Los Angeles County Descanso Gardens to serve as energy conservation, water conservation and solid waste/resource recovery demonstration projects.

Pursuant to the First Amendment to the Operating Agreement by and between the County of Los Angeles and the Descanso Gardens Guild, Inc. dated September 16, 2003, the Guild is enabled to undertake the proposed improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Amendment. The proposed improvements will significantly enhance this facility and benefit the public for years to come.

State law authorizes acceptance of gifts for specific County purposes in Government Code Section 25355.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Find that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301(a)Class 1; 15303(d) (e)Class 3; and 15304 (b)Class 4 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1(d), 3(b), 4(c) of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.
2. Accept the grant for improvements as part of the \$ 500,000 Rose Hills Foundation grant and any and all additional funding secured by the Guild for the proposed improvements located at Descanso Gardens.
3. Instruct the Chair to prepare and send the appropriate letter of appreciation to the Descanso Gardens Guild, Inc.

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